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Dear Mr. Wright:

In regard to your letter of September 27, 1982, concerning assistance of municipal police officers outside corporate limits, both counties and incorporated municipalities have the ability to contract. This power is given to them by [Sections 4-9-20\(3\)](#) and [5-7-60 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina \(1976\)](#).

The ability of counties and municipalities to enter into an agreement for the joint administration, responsibility and sharing of the costs of services is granted by [Article VIII, Section 13 of the South Carolina Constitution](#), and [Section 6-1-20 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina \(1976\)](#).

I hope this information is sufficient to answer your questions. With best personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

John M. Barton  
Assistant Attorney General

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